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SUBJECT: OPPOSITION LEADER DECLARES NUCLEAR FREE ZONE INCOMPATIBLE  
WITH ANZUS

REF: EMBASSY'S A-97 OF JULY 31, 1975

1. IN AUGUST 26 SPEECH FOCUSING PRIMARILY ON OMINOUS IMPLICATIONS FOR NZ AND AUSTRALIA OF DEVELOPMENTS IN PORTUGUESE TIMOR, OPPOSITION LEADER MULDOON SAID IT IS SIGNIFICANT THAT AUSTRALIA LABOR GOVERNMENT HAS FAILED TO SUPPORT GNZ INITIATIVE FOR NUCLEAR FREE SOUTH PACIFIC AND "IT IS VERY CLEAR THAT THE STRATEGIC NEEDS OF AUSTRALIA REST SIMPLY AND SOLIDLY ON THE ANZUS PACT AND CONTINUED RELIANCE ON THE ANZUS PACT IS TOTALLY INCOMPATIBLE WITH A NUCLEAR-FREE SOUTH PACIFIC".

2. MULDOON EXPANDED "IT IS FARCICAL TO SUGGEST THAT WE COULD SAY TO OUR AMERICAN ALLIES, YES, WE WANT TO REMAIN IN ANZUS, BUT WE INSIST THAT YOU DO YOUR PART IN DEFENDING NZ WITH LEE ENFIELD RIFLES".

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3. REFERRING TO SOVIET LONG-RANGE MISSILE TESTING IN THE PACIFIC, MULDOON SAID "THESE MISSILES WOULD MAKE A

SOUTH PACIFIC NUCLEAR FREE ZONE TOTALLY IRRELEVANT  
BECAUSE THEY COULD FIRE WITH A HIGH DEGREE OF ACCURACY  
RIGHT OVER THE TOP OF IT."

4. ACKNOWLEDGING THAT EVERYONE WANTS CESSATION OF  
NUCLEAR TESTING AND NON-PROLIFERATION NUCLEAR WEAPONS,  
MULDOON STATED "IT IS UNREALISTIC TO SUGGEST THAT  
THERE CAN BE A NUCLEAR FREE SOUTH PACIFIC UNLESS WE ARE  
PREPARED TO ABANDON ANZUS -- AND THE GOVERNMENT IS NOT  
PREPARED TO DO THAT."

5. SPEECH TEXT POUCHED DEPARTMENT AND CANBERRA.  
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